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SUBJECT: INTRUSIONS AND FOLLOW-UP PROCEDURES

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1. PARA 3 OF REFTEL IMPLIES THAT YOU HAVE MODIFIED INTRUSION INVESTIGATION PROCEDURES FROM THOSE VISUALIZED PRIOR TO IOC.
WE THINK IT WORTHWHILE TO REVIEW SOME OF THESE PROCEDURES, PRIMARILY BECAUSE OF THE IMPACT ON PERSONNEL MANNING.

2. ORIGINAL PLANS ESTABLISHED THE NEED FOR INVESTIGATION OF INTRUSION AREAS WHEN NORMAL PROCEDURES (ANALYSIS, VISUAL) FAILED TO DETERMINE THE NATURE OR IDENTITY OF THE INTRUSION. THE PLAN STATED AN IMMEDIATE (TO THE EXTENT PHYSICALLY POSSIBLE) RECONNAISSANCE INSPECTION OF THE INTRUSION ZONE BY TWO OR MORE WATCH STATION SURVEILLANCE PERSONNEL. IN THE MITLA EAST AND WEST PASSES, THIS WAS
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PLANNED TO BE DONE BY OFF-DUTY WATCH-STANDERS WHILE IN

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THE GIDDI EAST AND WEST PASSES, THIS WOULD BE DONE BY SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED (WATCH-STANDERS) BASE CAMP TECHNICIANS. IF NOT A MAINTENANCE PROBLEM, THE INVESTIGATION

TEAM WOULD DETERMINE THE VALIDITY OF THE INTRUDER'S MISSION IN THE AREA AND REPORT THE RESULTS TO THE USG OPERATIONS WATCH OFFICER (OWO). A COMMUTER TERMINAL WAS TO BE PROVIDED AT MITLA WEST TO ENABLE INSPECTION PERSONNEL TO COMMUNICATE WITH BASE CAMP OR THE WATCH STATION FROM THE INTRUSION AREA. IF INTRUSION AFTER IDENTIFICATION WAS DEEMED LEGITIMATE, THE INSPECTION TEAM WOULD RETURN TO THE WATCH STATION OR BASE CAMP IN THE CASE OF GIDDI PASS AREAS. IF THE INTRUSION WAS A VIOLATION, THE INSPECTION TEAM WOULD CONTINUE TO OBSERVE THE INTRUDER UNTIL THE OWO COULD TAKE NECESSARY ALERT ACTIONS.

3. THE ORIGINAL MANNING OF THE MITLA EAST AND WEST WATCH STATIONS WITH FOUR WATCH-STANDERS VICE TWO AS CURRENTLY MANNED WAS PREDICATED, IN PART, UPON THIS CONCEPT. AS VIEWED HERE, WITHOUT THE ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL, AN INSPECTION CANNOT BE MADE BY WATCH-STANDERS, I.E., TWO PERSONS SHOULD MAKE THE INSPECTION WHICH, CURRENT PLANS, WOULD LEAVE THE WATCH-STATION UNMANNED. YOUR MODIFIED PROCEDURE WHICH REQUIRES DISPATCH OF A USGLO FROM BASE CAMP TO EITHER END OF THE MITLA PASSES ENCOMPASSES SOME 40 MINUTES IN TRANSIT, ABOUT EQUAL TO THE TIME THAT MOTORED VEHICLES WOULD TAKE TO TRANSIT THE ENTIRE PASS.

4. THERE ARE UNDOUBTEDLY FACTORS DERIVED FROM ON-SITE OPERATION WHICH HAVE LED TO PROCEDURE MODIFICATION SUCH AS LOW LEVEL OF ACTIVITY, MORE EFFECTIVE USE OF MANPOWER, ETC. IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF YOU COULD PROVIDE US WITH THESE FACTORS. WOULD YOU PROPOSE TO MAINTAIN THESE WATCH-STATIONS AT THE TWO WATCH-STANDER LEVEL DURING PREDICTED HIGH LEVEL OF ACTIVITY CONDITIONS?
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